Troopers Arrest Two Juveniles in Attempted Carjacking - Newark

Newark— The Delaware State Police arrested a 14-year-old juvenile male of Wilmington, and a 14-year-old juvenile male of New Castle, for attempted robbery following an attempted carjacking that occurred last night.

The incident occurred on January 9, 2021, at approximately 10:06 p.m., when Troopers were dispatched to the Christiana Mall, Newark, for a report of an attempted carjacking. Upon arrival, it was learned that two suspects pulled on the door handles to a 2012 Jeep Cherokee in the parking lot and displayed a handgun at a 19-year-old female victim operator and a 20-year-old male victim passenger. The victims did not comply and drove off in the vehicle and contacted police. The suspects then fled the scene on foot.

The victims were not injured as a result of the incident

A short time later, the suspects were apprehended by New Castle County Police in the rear parking lot of the Container Store located at 2200 Fashion Center Blvd., Newark. The juveniles were taken into custody without incident. Officers recovered a magazine to a BB gun in the possession of one juvenile suspect and discovered a BB gun in the area of apprehension.

The juveniles were then transported to Troop 2 where they were each charged with the following:

- Attempted Robbery 1st Degree (Felony) 2 counts
- Conspiracy 2nd Degree (Felony)

The juveniles were each arraigned in the Justice of the Peace

Court #11 and committed to the New Castle County Detention Center on \$102,000 cash bond.

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1800 842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@state.de.us.

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